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Petitioner:

Beneficiary:

Petition:

Petition for a Nonimmigrant Worker Pursuant to Section 101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(b) of the Immigration and

Nationality Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1101(a)(15)(H)(ii)(b)

IN BEHALF OF PETITIONER:

Self-represented

identifying data deleted to prevent clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy

INSTRUCTIONS:

This is the decision in your case. All documents have been returned to the office that originally decided your ease. Any further inquiry must be made to that office.

If you believe the law was inappropriately applied or the analysis used in reaching the decision was inconsistent with the information provided or with precedent decisions, you may file a motion to reconsider. Such a motion must state the reasons for reconsideration and be supported by any pertinent precedent decisions. Any motion to reconsider must be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reconsider, as required under 8 C.F.R. § 103.5(a)(1)(i).

If you have new or additional information that you wish to have considered, you may file a motion to reopen. Such a motion must state the new facts to be proved at the reopened proceeding and be supported by affidavits or other documentary evidence. Any motion to reopen must be filed within 30 days of the decision that the motion seeks to reopen, except that failure to file before this period expires may be excused in the discretion of the Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services (Bureau) where it is demonstrated that the delay was reasonable and beyond the control of the applicant or petitioner. *Id*.

Any motion must be filed with the office that originally decided your case along with a fee of \$110 as required under 8 C.F.R. § 103.7.

Robert P. Wiemann, Director Administrative Appeals Office **DISCUSSION:** The nonimmigrant visa petition was denied by the Director, Texas Service Center, who certified his decision to the Administrative Appeals Office (AAO) for review. The decision of the director will be affirmed.

The petitioner is a construction company. It desires to employ the beneficiary to do construction clean-up for an indefinite period. The petition was not accompanied by the required labor certification, Form ETA-750. The director denied the petition because the petitioner had not submitted the required certification or the Department of Labor's notice that such certification cannot be made.

On appeal, the petitioner requests that the Bureau allow an extension in order to obtain the required labor certification.

The regulation at 8 C.F.R. § 214.2(h)(6)(iv)(A) requires that a petition for temporary employment in the United States be accompanied by a temporary labor certification from the Department of Labor, or notice detailing the reasons why such certification cannot be made.

The petition was filed on May 15, 2000 without a temporary labor certification, or notice detailing the reasons why such certification cannot be made. Absent such certification from the Department of Labor or notice detailing the reasons why such certification cannot be made, the petition cannot be approved.

The petitioner requested on appeal that an extension be allowed in order to obtain the required labor certification. However, neither the statute nor the regulations allows for an extension of time to complete a certification during this proceeding.

This petition may not be approved for another reason beyond the decision of the director. The petition indicates that the dates of intended employment are from April 1, 2000 until undetermined. The petitioner has not established that the need for the services to be performed is seasonal, peakload, intermittent or a one-time occurrence and for only a temporary period.

The burden of proof in these proceedings rests solely with the petitioner. Section 291 of the Act, 8 U.S.C. § 1361. Here, the petitioner has not met that burden.

ORDER: The decision of the director is affirmed. The petition is denied.